



City of Long Beach

Rebuilding Stronger, Smarter, Safer



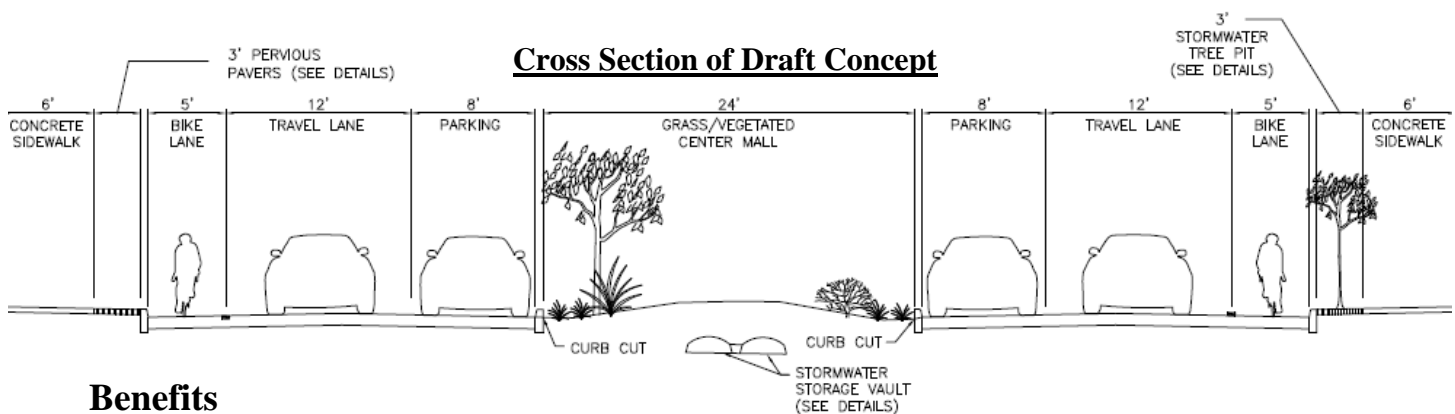
Downtown to the Boardwalk: *Resilient Connectivity*

The City of Long Beach was awarded \$1,063,851 from the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to transform Edwards Boulevard, one of the major boulevards in the City of Long Beach into a more pedestrian and bicycle friendly thoroughfare that includes elements of resiliency and green infrastructure.

The proposed project will look to:

- ✓ Alleviate safety issues between cars, pedestrians, and cyclists;
- ✓ Implement green infrastructure to reduce flooding;
- ✓ Gain community input on the final concept before implementation

Complete Streets are Safe Streets



Benefits

- ✓ Improved air and water quality
- ✓ Increased home value
- ✓ Decreased noise impacts through additional plantings
- ✓ Increased road safety
- ✓ Greater accessibility to alternative modes of transportation
- ✓ Reduced flooding impacts

Complete Streets/Streetscape Initiative

Edwards Boulevard has been selected as the first street to undergo a “Complete Streets” transformation with state grant funding, highlighting the City’s commitment to providing safe, comfortable and convenient travel for residents and visitors. Due to the documented volume of pedestrian and bicycle traffic on Edwards Boulevard, this grant proposal was highly competitive as it met the states goals for project impact and visibility.

This project is a part of the larger initiative that incorporates ongoing downtown streetscape improvements, resiliency, beautification and safer streets, consistent with the City’s planning efforts.

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